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1. [] Talked with Ken Sprankle referring to his statement that no one had checked with the Committee on the employment of one [] I pointed out that this occurred in 1952 and that our records did disclose that our investigators checked with Earl Silsby on the Committee staff. Mr. Sprankle was a little surprised at this and thought maybe we should have talked to the chief clerk, George Harvey, or himself. I said perhaps they were busy when the investigator came in and Silsby saw him and forgot to mention it to Sprankle. In any event, I advised Sprankle that [] is still with us and appeared to have been a good, steady employee. Sprankle thanked me for this information.

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[] Senator Saltonstall called the Director to say he felt Congressman Stratton's comments of 16 May on the interim report of the Stennis Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee might be used against Senator Keating politically at a later date. He wished to know if it would be possible to sanitize some additional testimony by the Director which could be used to counter Stratton's position. It was agreed that Mr. French of the Subcommittee Staff would bring statements of this nature for the Director to review. Mr. French saw the Director on 24 May and after reviewing the whole situation the Director expressed the opinion that it would be unwise to release any more of the testimony and that any response should be made from the content of the interim report in the same manner Mr. Stratton used it. He told Mr. French he would call Senator Saltonstall and give him his opinion. Mr. French left the material he had prepared with us.

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[] [] called with reference to the problem of [] stating he had the task of devising a cover story in view of Congressman Eroyhill's query to GSA on behalf of constituents seeking jobs in the building. [] will contact [] further on this.

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